



MINUTES

HOUSE PUBLIC UTILITIES, ENERGY, AND TECHNOLOGY STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Wednesday, February 7, 2024 | 2:00 p.m. | 110 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Carl R. Albrecht, Chair
Rep. Colin W. Jack, Vice Chair
Rep. James Cobb
Rep. Joseph Elison
Rep. Jason B. Kyle
Rep. Phil Lyman
Rep. Matt MacPherson

Rep. Carol S. Moss
Rep. Michael J. Petersen
Rep. Judy Weeks Rohner
Rep. Angela Romero

Staff Present:

Samantha D. Brucker, Managing Policy Analyst
Linda Service, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Albrecht called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

Rep. Elison assumed the chair.

1. H.J.R. 20 Joint Resolution Honoring the Paraguayan Community (Loubet, A.)

Rep. Loubet introduced the resolution assisted by Raul Ibarrola.

Nicole Laudie Rolon, Paraguayan community, spoke in support of the resolution.

Sebastian Benitez, Ogden, Utah spoke in support of the resolution.

Viviana Figueredo, Founder and President of the Paraguayan Community Association, spoke in support of the resolution.

Rep. Albrecht resumed the chair.

MOTION: Rep. Moss moved to pass H.J.R. 20 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Jack

2. H.B. 326 Firearm Safety Device Tax Incentives Amendments (MacPherson, M.)

Rep. MacPherson introduced the bill and distributed a handout "Suicide Prevention and Firearm Safety."

[Suicide Prevention & Firearm Safety](#)

Sheri Mattle, Safety Commissioner, PTA, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Clark Aposhian, Chairman, Utah Shooting Sports Council, spoke in support of the bill.

Raelle Cunningham, Utah State Director, Women for Gun Rights, spoke in support of the bill.

Neca Allgood, Board Member, Gun Violence Prevention Center of Utah, spoke in support of the bill.

Kael Weston, Salt Lake County, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Rohner moved to hold H.B. 326.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to substitute H.B. 326 with 4th substitute H.B. 326. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht

Rep. C. Jack

Rep. J. Cobb

Rep. J. Elison

Rep. J. Kyle

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. M. MacPherson

Rep. C. Moss

Rep. M. Petersen

Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. A. Romero

MOTION: Rep. Rohner moved to hold 4th substitute H.B. 326 The motion failed with a vote of 5 - 5 - 1.

Yeas - 5

Nays - 5

Absent - 1

Rep. C. Albrecht

Rep. C. Jack

Rep. J. Cobb

Rep. J. Kyle

Rep. J. Elison

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. M. Petersen

Rep. M. MacPherson

Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. C. Moss

Rep. A. Romero

MOTION: Rep. Lyman moved to pass 4th Substitute H.B. 326 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 8 - 2 - 1.

Yeas - 8

Nays - 2

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Cobb

Rep. C. Albrecht

Rep. C. Jack

Rep. J. Elison

Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. J. Kyle

Rep. P. Lyman

Rep. M. MacPherson

Rep. C. Moss

Rep. M. Petersen

Rep. A. Romero

3. H.B. 381 Concealed Firearm Instructor Amendments (Kyle, J)

Rep. Kyle introduced the bill.

Clark Aposhian spoke in support of the bill.

Cynthia Zumwalt, Women for Gun Rights, spoke in support of the bill.

Ray Smith, USCCA, spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. MacPherson moved to amend H.B. 381 with Amendment #1. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 0.

Amendment 1
H.B. 381

1. Page 5, Lines 139 through 146:

139 (9) (a) An applicant for certification as a Utah concealed firearms instructor shall:
140 (i) be at least 21 years old;
141 (ii) be currently eligible to possess a firearm under Section 76-10-503;
142 (iii) have:
143 (A) completed a firearm instruction training course from {+}the National Rifle
144 Association{+}{-a} or another nationally recognized firearm training organization that customarily offers
145 firearm safety and firearm law instructor training or the Department of Public Safety, Division
146 of Peace Officer Safety Standards and Training; or

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

MOTION: Rep. MacPherson moved to pass H.B. 381 out favorably as amended. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

4. H.B. 101 Firearm Reporting Requirements (King, Brian S.)

Rep. King introduced the bill.

Clark Aposhian spoke in the support of the bill.

Neca Allgood, Member of the Board of the Gun Violence Prevention of Utah, spoke in support of the bill.

Carrie Butler, Utah Public Health Association, spoke in support of the bill.

Sheri Muttler spoke in support of the bill.

Linda Smith, League of Women Voters, spoke in support of the bill.

Kael Weston spoke in support of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. MacPherson moved to replace H.B. 101 with 1st Substitute H.B. 101. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Ellison

MOTION: Rep. MacPherson moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 101 out favorably. The motion failed with a vote of 5 - 5 - 1.

Yeas - 5

Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 5

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. Petersen

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Ellison

MOTION: Rep. Jack moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 1.

Yeas - 10

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

Nays - 0

Absent - 1

Rep. J. Ellison

5. H.B. 426 Firearm Amendments (King, Brian S.)

Rep. King introduced the bill.

Clark Aposhian, National Shooting Sports Foundation and the National Rifle Association, spoke in opposition of the bill.

Raelle Cunningham spoke in opposition to the bill.

Linda Smith, League of Women Voters, spoke in support of the bill.

Sheri Mattle, Utah PTA, spoke in support of the bill.

Kael Weston spoke to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to replace H.B. 426 with 1st Substitute H.B. 426. The motion passed with a vote of 11 - 0 - 0.

Yeas - 11

Nays - 0

Absent - 0

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. C. Moss
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. A. Romero

MOTION: Rep. Romero moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 426 out favorably.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Kyle moved to adjourn. The substitute motion passed with a vote of 9 - 2 - 0.

Yeas - 9

Nays - 2

Absent - 0

Rep. C. Albrecht
Rep. J. Cobb
Rep. J. Elison
Rep. C. Jack
Rep. J. Kyle
Rep. P. Lyman
Rep. M. MacPherson
Rep. M. Petersen
Rep. J. Rohner

Rep. C. Moss
Rep. A. Romero

Chair Albrecht adjourned the meeting at 3:53 p.m.